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VOLUNTARY ORGANISATIONS IN FP SECTOR
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Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the schemes implemented by Voluntary Organisations in the food processing sector, State-wise;

(b) the funds allocated to these Organisations during the last two years and current financial year alongwith the targets fixed and the achievements made in this regard by them;

(c) the number of schemes discontinued and the number of new schemes launched during the last two years; and

(d) the reasons for discontinuing the above said schemes?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI N.T. SHANMUGAM)

(a) to (d): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

Statement referred to in reply to parts (a) to (d) of Lok Sabha Starred Question No. 307 for answer on 11.8.2003 regarding Voluntary Organisations in FP Sector.

(a) to (d): Voluntary Organisations operating in the food processing sector decide the schemes, fix targets and monitor achievements as per their priorities. Food processing industries function both in organised and unorganised sectors. As such, information about working of Voluntary Organisations is not centrally maintained. It is not known whether schemes implemented by different Voluntary Organisations have been discontinued or new schemes launched during the last two years.

However, Voluntary Organisations are entitled to receive financial assistance under most Plan Schemes of the Ministry of Food Processing Industries. Financial assistance of Rs. 639.63 lakhs has been provided in the last two years (2001- 02 and 2002-03) and Rs. 5.90 lakhs during the current year (upto July, 2003) to Voluntary Organisations under the schemes of the Ministry.